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Subject: Site Alteration Agreement Marc & Andrea Reid, 7827 Wellington Rd. 36

Good afternoon Karen.

As you know, Wood Bull has been retained as counsel. The goal is to participate constructively in the process of cooperating with the Township and Conservation Halton to improve the legal framework within which the line between good and bad large scale fill operations, by whatever label, can be improved and in the meantime exercised, from the broadest perspective of the community interests, including those of Mr. Reid and future Applicants.

Having recently received the Township's report PD-2015-008 containing all reports as well as information recently released by Conservation Halton, a more thorough review can be conducted to be more objective about the community concerns. That work is underway.

We respect the timing of the special meeting this evening. Community diligence will continue beyond the Township's vote to deal with the challenges associated with Conservation Halton's decision to issue a permit before the Township and, as it now appears, without advance notice to the Township. We appreciate the pressure to vote and trust that you will take into account any risks and liability associated with voting tonight. We also appreciate that the risk will be accentuated or decimated by the availability of legal and enforcement resources, and even perhaps from the lack of provincial support to deal with large scale fill operations. Certainly, the council's vote will be precedent setting.

That said, I offer respectfully one comment for consideration in your decision this evening. Fairness to the neighbours notwithstanding, the record does not support any suggestion that Mr. Reid has been unfairly burdened by Staff. Nor does it suggest that there has been nothing but cooperation from Mr. Reid. Respectfully, the record shows that staff have been responsive to Mr. Reid, and exercised a high degree of reserve, and that Mr. Reid has advocated for the least versus most costly considerations. Certainly, nothing could be misconstrued as the Township "changing the rules".

A response to the following is not expected today, but would be appreciated at the earliest possible convenience as it may influence the review of the entire record to the satisfaction of the community; and in particular, the nearest neighbors to the Reid property.

Request for Information

PD-2015-008 includes a response from Mr. Reid on his position on issues presented in a meeting on 23 April 2015. It appears that the response was to address questions raised by Staff on behalf of Councilors regarding traffic, noise, and cooperation with neighbours.

With regards to the fundamental rights associated with independence between (a) private market negotiations with Mr. Reid and (b) interaction with Conservation Halton and the Township during Mr. Reid's regulatory permit process with both authorities, would it be possible to get a copy of the minutes of the 23 April meeting or any follow up emails outlining the categories for Mr. Reid's response that included "Neighbourhood Cooperation" or any specific questions he was asked to address?

If possible, it would also be useful to receive a copy today of the formal permit application filed on 2 Oct 2013 (as noted in PD-2015-05).

Offer to Meet

Following the public meeting in March 2015, Mr. Reid sent me an email and copied Conservation Halton and the Township in which, among other things, he indicated that he had been advised not to follow through with the commitment in the public meeting to disclose information to the neighbors. As you may recall from our brief meeting and follow up correspondence, I requested that Mr. Reid confirm that the advice did not come from either authority and he declined my request. I can appreciate the difficulty of Mr. Reid's position and I have no doubt that the advice came from his personal counsellors.

In any event, with the reports now available from CH and the Township, would the Township consider a meeting with CH, Mr. Reid and the neighbours in early June to participate in an open and frank dialog on Mr. Reid's permit application to Conservation Halton?

I would appreciate it if you would pass this note to Council.

Thank you in advance for your acknowledgement of receipt and earliest response.

Kindest regards,

John Myers